

TROY HERALD.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 3, 1873.

LET US HAVE A LYCEUM.

Two weeks ago we published a communication urging the formation of a Lyceum. As yet there has been no response made to the call, except an attempt made to establish a debating club. Such action would hardly fill the want of the community as understood by our correspondent who is a gentleman of intelligent observation. We have had quite enough of debating clubs. They have been here, at best, but miserable abortions; of no practical benefit to anybody connected with them, and not able to arouse the interest of the community. We need something more comprehensive and more rational—more suited to the tastes of a people possessing literary culture.

That a Lyceum established and conducted upon the basis contemplated by our correspondent, would prove of vast benefit to its members and to the community generally, no one can doubt who has ever seen the practical working of such an institution. The mental culture thus acquired would be great; but there is still a greater consideration. The reputation for educated tastes and literary cultivation is worth a great deal to any community. On this score alone, all effort that we may put forth in this direction would repay us a hundred fold.

Lectures and readings by men and women eminent in their profession, constitute one of the best sources of social and aesthetic enjoyment. These are within our reach. To be convinced that such is the case we need only read the list and prices of lecturers as published by the agency. A properly constituted Lyceum would not fail to make these intellectual treats a feature in their entertainments. We have heretofore overlooked this fact, and entirely to our detriment. Other localities, not possessing our population or wealth, have in this manner availed themselves of these powerful aids to culture, and thereby gained a most desirable reputation abroad.

One fact, perhaps a little foreign to the general idea of the measure we are advocating, that we desire not to be lost sight of, is that a reputation of this kind has a direct money value. Intelligent men who are public-spirited enough to study all the wants of a community, can readily understand why this is so. Schools, churches, good society and an educated and refined people are just as great incentives to immigration, especially to people of like tastes and habits, as all the business facilities that a place can have. Hence it may be seen, that among whatever measures we undertake, looking to the material advancement and prosperity of our neighborhood and county, this one should occupy a prominent part.

The social enjoyment and recreation afforded by entertainments of this character would be sufficient to induce the immediate formation of a Lyceum. We have no fears of its success, if it be rightly directed, for, as our correspondent justly remarked, the elements are here. So they are. Let them prove that while they possess the requisite talent, they also have the life and "get up" to bring such talent into action.

A PLEASANT CONCEPT.—One of our solid citizens imagines himself a poet. He delivered himself of his maiden effort the other day, in the presence of quite a crowd. As our carrier, who also occupies the responsible position of devil in our office, was distributing the papers last week, he was greeted with:

"The devil comes on HERALD's wings,
And in each door the news he sings."

Mr. Jehu Sylvester, an old citizen and well known jeweler of St. Louis, died in that city last Sunday morning. Mr. Sylvester was favorably known to many of our citizens, who will regret to hear of his death.

4,000 Acres

Of valuable Lincoln county land to rent or lease, in large or small quantities, on reasonable terms, from one to five years. For further particulars inquire of Dr. D. T. Waddy or Col. E. Snyder, Troy, Mo.

Co-operative Dairying.

But the Mormons propose to work out another problem, and from a brief trial already made, with every prospect of success. It is to conduct the dairy business in all its branches upon the co-operative plan. The plan proposed is for the farmers of a neighborhood to put their farms and live stock together, the whole to be managed as a company. Thus, for instance, a dozen farmers unite in this movement; one has 60 acres and 10 cows, another has 80 acres and 15 cows, another 100 acres and 20 cows, and so on, each farmer furnishing a certain number of cattle in proportion to the size and quality of his farm. A cheese or butter factory is now built in the most convenient spot for the accommodation of the lands taken as a whole together, and the expense is borne by the members of the association *pro rata*, or in proportion to the land and cows furnished by each—scrip, of course, being issued, entitling each to a certain amount of stock in the concern. Then the whole tract is put under the superintendence of an experienced and skillful farmer and manager, and the business is operated throughout as a company matter in the same way that other companies for manufacturing and operating large enterprises are managed. The Mormons claim that co-operative associations can be made to work in dairy farming quite as successfully as in other branches of business, and that the profits are much larger on the average for each stockholder than when each one operates separately. Under this system they say the work goes on with regularity and in a more perfect manner under the high skill of the best managers, while there is immense economy in tools, in machinery, in labor, and in all the appurtenances required to carry on farming.

George Q. Cannon, the present delegate to congress from Utah, gave us several instances where this plan had been adopted with success, and he was of opinion that the dairy business of the territory would be largely conducted on this system. Doubtless, to many eastern farmers the plan presented must seem very impracticable; but so was the associated dairy system of New York considered a few years ago. No longer ago than 1860, the majority of dairymen in New York were strongly opposed to cheese and butter factories, and predicted that the associated dairy system must soon fall into disfavor and be abandoned. As its advantages have been better understood, it has continued to gain strength, and is now firmly established throughout our land, while European nations are acknowledging its advantages and adopting it. Perhaps the Mormons may be able to solve a great problem in agriculture, and show us that co-operative farming may be adopted with equal success and equal advantages with that of our cheese factory system.—*Cor. Rural New Yorker.*

Solitary Musings.

When I reflect upon the misery, the misfortune and reverses, that we encounter while traveling through this vale of tears; when I behold the heart stricken with sorrow and discontent struggling to overcome the trials and hardships which man has ever been heir to; when I gaze with gloomy horror upon the vacancies made by the hand of death, and when I see the dull decay of friendship's holy bond, and hear the poor, common words of courtesy uttered so blandly as to portray the cold pastime greeting rather than the warm and genuine feelings of friendship, I feel that there is but little to woo us to this mundane sphere, where all is so dark and turbulent. And oh! how often we weep for those who have left the paltry things of this world, and taken up their abode in a world beyond the grave; where every tie that binds heart to heart in this state of existence, shall be far beyond our present conception, more endearing. With what rapture would we again recall them to our worldly homes, where all is human weakness and sorrow! But the sweetest showers cannot revive the flower that has been plucked from the stem.

SQUINT.

A Dr. A. Andrei lately delivered a lecture in San Francisco upon the reproduction of the bones of the body, and presented to the audience a very startling illustration of his subject. He had two years before taken out the whole elbow-joint of one of his patients who was suffering in the part from white-swellings. The bone was entirely removed two inches above and two inches below the joint. He had the bones and the joint with him to show for themselves and he also had the patient there with his arms and elbows as good as ever. A new and healthy elbow-joint had formed and the man was whole. He had so little interest in his old elbow-joint, that he gave it to the doctor who had put it into the head of nature to give him a new one. A committee of medical men who were present, declared that the operation might be justly classed among the triumphs of modern surgery.

The largest stock of furs in Lincoln county at
Norton, Harlan & Norton's.

HERE'S THE BEST THAT LAYS THE GOLDEN EGG.

Parker, Crews & Co. have bought the bankrupt stock of M. T. Britton at one-fourth the original cost, and intend to sell it for a small margin.

A large lot of Best Prints at 8c. Between 300 and 400 pairs of Boots and Shoes at one-half the wholesale cost.

Large supply of Queensware and Glassware at same rates.

Groceries, hats, caps and everything comprised in a general store, at lowest figures.

Come early and get the best bargains ever offered.

PARKER, CREWS & CO.

For Sale or Rent.

A comfortable dwelling house, with four rooms, meat house and a summer kitchen, garden, calf lot, &c., on college street, opposite Christian Institute. I will sell at low figures two new heating stoves and one second hand cook stove. For particulars apply to undersigned or Dr. D. T. Waddy.

WM. FRAZIER.

Tax-Payers of Lincoln County take Notice.

I wish to call your attention to the fact that the law requires the collector to collect every tax or take an oath that he was unable to find any personal property out of which to make the tax; that no property is exempt from taxes and that the collector may after the 1st day of December proceed to levy and sell on ten days notice; and that if the number of delinquents are large, on the 1st day of December I shall be compelled, in order to save myself, to commence collecting by law and sale; and that the expenses will come out of the tax-payer and which are the same as Sheriff's fees. Remember also the penalty, which is 5 per cent. for 1st month, 10 per cent. for the 2d, and two per cent. additional for each month thereafter.

W. W. SHAW, collector.

Include Grand Gift Ball!

As will be seen by the circulars, posters, etc., circulated by the agent, a grand ball will be given at the Laclede Hotel on the 31st of December, 1873, at which will be distributed among the holders of tickets a list of valuable prizes, from \$2 up to \$2,500. This distribution will be conducted fairly, giving each ticket holder an equal chance. Such an opportunity has never been within the reach of our citizens. See bill and have your dollar ready when the local agent calls upon you.

LEVI J. GARRETT,
Gen'l Agent.

For Rent

A good store stand on Main street, centrally located, will be rented on reasonable terms, and a part or whole of a well-selected stock of goods be sold. Who wants a good investment? Inquire for particulars at this office.

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Apple Trees

At Buffalo Nursery will be sold this fall for cash at \$10 per hundred. \$12.50 on 12 months time without interest, or I will furnish trees to reset all that may die for one year at \$12.50 cash per 100.

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Let winter come, and drop its snows, blow its winds, and drap the trees, rose-bushes and cedars in icicles—who cares? J. P. Lynott has just received a large stock of parlor and heating stoves, of the latest improvements and most beautiful designs, and desires his friends to call at his hardware store and examine them.

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Hackman & Sidle, manufacturers of marble and granite monuments, tombstones, mantels, &c., St. Charles, offer the people of Lincoln county everything in their line on the most reasonable terms, and guaranteed to be of the best quality and finest workmanship.

A Des Moines pill peddler was down in Marion county a day or two since, and while there was informed by his hostess that a skunk had taken up its quarters in a hole in the wall of her cellar. There it stood sentinel, and approach to it was too perilous to be attempted. Science, however, prevailed. The doctor emptied a bottle of chloroform on a broom, held the broom under the skunk's nose, the skunk went to sleep, was captured and executed.

FINAL SETTLEMENT.—Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Philip Presley, dec'd, will make a final settlement of his administration of said estate at the next term of the Lincoln county Probate Court, to be begun and held at the court house in Troy on the second Monday in January, 1874.

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FINAL SETTLEMENT.—Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, administrator of the estate of F. G. Wilner, deceased, will make a final settlement of his administration of said estate at the next term of the Lincoln county Probate Court, to be begun and held at the court house in Troy on the second Monday in Jan., 1874.

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FINAL SETTLEMENT.—Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Barton Hubbard dec'd, will make a final settlement of his administration of said estate at the next term of the Lincoln county Probate Court to be begun and held at the court house in Troy on the second Monday in January, 1874.

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WM. YOUNG, Adm'r.

LACLEDE GRAND BALL

AND
GIFT DISTRIBUTION,
TO BE GIVEN IN TROY
ON DECEMBER 31, 1873.

FORTUNE FOR SOMEBODY

ONE GRAND GIFT OF
160 ACRES

LINCOLN COUNTY LAND.

ONE GRAND GIFT OF 80 ACRES

Twelve Gifts from \$2 to \$100

FOURTEEN GIFTS

AGGREGATING \$4,142.00

Tickets of Admission \$1.00

160 Acres of land, situated in Millwood t'p, valued at	\$2,500.00
80 Acres, same township, valued at	1,250.00
Gold Watch, valued at	100.00
Florence Sewing Machine, valued at	80.00
Silver Watch valued at	50.00
Set of Gold Jewelry valued at	50.00
Set of Dickens' works "Commonsense Sewing Machine"	40.00
Splendid Chromo, framed	20.00
Pair of Chromos, framed	15.00
Plain Gold Ring valued at	10.00
Copy Bunyans Complete Works	6.00
Copy Industries of the United States, valued at	4.00
Copy of Life in Dantury,	2.00
Total,	\$4,142.00

The drawing to take place under the management and supervision of a committee selected by the ticket holders. The land comprising the first two Gifts belongs to Wright Nichols, Esq., and lies in Millwood township three miles from Millwood, within 5 miles of a station on the St. Louis, Hannibal and Keokuk railroad, and 7 miles from the Coal mines. It contains large deposits of iron ore, being in the midst of the iron fields. It is in a good state of cultivation, and is well worth the valuation. As a guarantee of fair dealing, we refer to Walton Perkins, president of the Farmers and Mechanics Savings bank, Troy; Chas. W. Martin, judge county court, Chain of Rocks, Henry T. Mudd, judge county court, Millwood; F. C. Calk, clerk county court, Troy; Wm. Colbert, clerk circuit court, Troy.

For tickets or other information, apply to
LEVI J. GARRETT, Gen'l Agent,
Troy, Mo.

DISSOLUTION.—Notice is hereby given that the law firm of Walton & Creech has been dissolved by mutual consent. All persons indebted to the late firm are respectfully requested to settle at once with the undersigned.

JOSIAH CREECH.

EXECUTORS' NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary were granted to the undersigned on the estate of Lewis Duncan, dec'd, by the Probate Court of Lincoln county, Mo., on the 2d day of April, 1873.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to the executor for allowance within one year from the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of said estate; and if not exhibited within two years from the date of said letters they will be forever barred. [dec'd] ROBT L. DUNCAN, Ex'r.

FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, curator of the estate of Mildred E. L. Ballard, will make a final settlement of his curatorship of said estate, at the next term of the Probate Court of Lincoln county, Mo., to be begun and held in Troy on the second Monday in January, 1874.

WM. YOUNG, Curator.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary were granted to the undersigned by the probate court of Lincoln county, Mo., on the estate of Thomas J. Fletcher, dec'd, on the 6th day of October, 1873.

Persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to the administrator for allowance within one year from the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of said estate; and if not exhibited within two years they will be forever barred.

JAS. D. FLETCHER, Ex'r.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration were granted to the undersigned on the estate of Elizabeth Harvey, deceased, by the Probate court of Lincoln county, Mo., on the 14th day of Oct., 1873.

Persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to the administrator for allowance within one year from the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of said estate; and if not exhibited for allowance within two years, they will be forever barred.

nov5 BEVERLY B. HARVEY, Adm'r.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration were granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of Lincoln county Mo., on the estate of Sophia C. Bryant, deceased, on the 13th day of August, 1873.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to the administrator for allowance within one year from the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of said estate; and if not exhibited within two years from the date of said letters they will be forever barred.

ISAAC H. OWINGS, Adm'r.

NOTICE.

All persons indebted to the firm of Crump & Wing on open account must settle the same by cash or note by the 1st of January, next, or suit will be brought for collection; and all owing notes due two years ago, must pay the same by January, 1874, or they will be collected by law.

September 24, 1873.

F. WING, Adm'r.

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THE OLD SPECIE TIMES AGAIN!

GREAT DECLINE IN DRY GOODS

R. & J. ATKINSON'S,
ST. CHARLES, MO.

See the Reduction Made in the Last Few Days.

Yard-wide Fine Unbleach Cotton, formerly 19 1-2c now 11c a yard.

Yard-wide Heavy Unbleach Cotton, formerly 19 1-2c. now 11 1-2c per yard.

Yard-wide Fine Bleach Cotton formerly 16 2-3c now 19 1-2c per yard.

Heavy Bed Ticking formerly 30c, now 29 1 2 a yard.

Heavy Wool Blankets, formerly \$6.75 now \$5 a pair.

Elegant Double Shawls formerly \$7, now \$5.

Beautiful Stripe Shawls formerly \$6&37 now \$3&34.

Heavy Kentucky Jeans formerly 65 now 45c.

Cotton Flannels formerly 20 to 25 now 11 to 18c.

Black Alpaca, formerly 50 to 75 now 25 to 50c.

Heavy Wool Flannels formerly 40 to 60 now 25 to 40c.

Balmoral Skirts formerly \$1.50 now 90c.

Also a Great Reduction in Men's St. Louis Boots and Ladies and Children's Shoes.

Take Advantage of the Present Low Prices
AND BUY WHAT YOU WANT AT THE
Popular Cheap Dry Goods House

R. & J. ATKINSON,
ST. CHARLES, MO.